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SUBJECT: INAUGURATION OF IRAQ'S FIRST OIL-PRODUCT PIPELINE

1. GOI OIL MINISTER TAYEH ABDUL KARIM MARCH 1 INAUGURATED IRAQ'S FIRST MAJOR OIL-PRODUCT PIPELINE. THE 545-KILOMETER PIPELINE LINKS IRAQ'S TWO MAJOR OIL REFINERIES AT DAURA NEAR BAGHDAD AND SHUAIBA NEAR BASRAH, PERMITTING TRANSFER IN EITHER DIRECTION OF GASOLINE, DIESEL FUEL AND KEROSENE. INTENDED TO FACILITATE DOMESTIC DISTRIBUTION OF REFINED PRODUCTS, THE PIPELINE HAS AN ANNUAL CAPACITY OF 1.5 MILLION TONS AND PASSES THROUGH DIWANIYAH AND NASSIRIYAH, WHERE BOOSTER PUMPING STATIONS HAVE BEEN INSTALLED.

2. THE PROJECT WHICH TOOK OVER THREE YEARS TO BUILD, WAS DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTED BY THE IRAQI STATE ORGANIZATION FOR OIL PROJECTS IN COLLABORATION WITH SOVIET EXPERTS. TOTAL COST IS ESTIMATED AT 54 MILLION DOLLARS. A JAPANESE FIRM PROVIDED PIPES VALUED AT 37 MILLION DOLLARS. PRIVATE IRAQI CONTRACTORS BUILT THE CIVIL WORKS AT FOUR PUMPING STATIONS.
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3. THE MAIN PIPELINE CONTROL CENTER AT DAURA REFINERY HAS NOT YET BEEN COMPLETED. THIS CENTER WILL USE COMPUTERS AND SOPHISTICATED COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS TO OPERATE THE PIPELINE AUTOMATICALLY.

4. THE INAUGURATION DATE OF THE PIPELINE COINCIDED WITH

THE FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOI
AND THE GROUP OF WESTERN OIL COMPANIES WHOSE FIELDS WERE
NATIONALIZED ON MARCH 1, 1972. SOVIET DEPUTY MINISTER
FOR OIL AND GAS ESTABLISHMENTS, MR. SAROGYN (PHONETIC),
ATTENDED THE INAUGURATION.
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